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Title: BALUN AND GROUNDPLANES FOR DECADE  
BAND TAPERED SLOT ANTENNA, AND METHOD  
OF MAKING SAME

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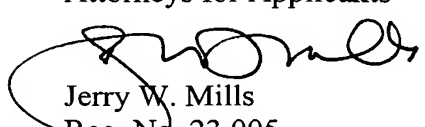
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Please advise the status of the above-identified patent application. Applicants filed a proposed amendment on August 4, 2003. However, Applicant has heard nothing further since then. **Applicant respectfully inquires about the status of the present application and in particular requests notice of when a further communication will be issued.** If there are any matters that can be cleared up through a telephone conversation, please contact the undersigned attorney for Applicants at the telephone number listed below.

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